

Minutes of Healthcare Data Advisory Council

April 24, 2013

9:00 a.m.

Board Room 1586
Alabama Department of
Public Health
The RSA Tower
Montgomery, Alabama

Members Present

Thomas Miller, M.D.; Acting Chairman, Deputy Director for Medical Affairs

Rick Finch; Business Council of Alabama

Beth Goodall; Alabama Hospital Association

Linda Jordan; Alabama Hospital Association

Claude Kinzer, M.D.; Medical Association of the State of Alabama

William McCollum, M.D.; Medical Association of the State of Alabama

Alan M. Stamm, M.D.; Association for Professionals in Infection Control

Foster Ware; Business Council of Alabama

Randall Weaver, M.D.; Medical Association of the State of Alabama

Members Absent

Beth Anderson; Alabama Hospital Association

Laura Bell; Alabama Hospital Association

Julie Boothe, M.D.; Medical Association of the State of Alabama

Keith Granger; Alabama Hospital Association

Stacy Hollis; Consumer

Donna Joyner; Public Education Employees' Health Insurance Plan

Patty Miller; Alabama Hospital Association

Michael O'Malley; Alabama Association of Health Plans

Debbie Taylor; State Employees' Insurance Board

Susan Warren; Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama

Staff Present

Nadine Crawford; Communicable Disease

Sherri Davidson; Communicable Disease

Pat Ivie, General Counsel

Kenya Johnson; Communicable Disease

Mary G. McIntyre, M.D., Disease Prevention and Control

Kelly Stevens; Communicable Disease

Harrison Wallace; Communicable Disease

Organizations Present

Rosemary Blackmon, Alabama Hospital Association

Sarah Strawn, Medical Student

CALL TO ORDER:

The Healthcare Data Advisory Council was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Dr. Miller. Roll call was taken. A quorum was not present.

HAI PROGRAM ACTIVITIES FOR DISCUSSION:

The preliminary 2012 data report was presented to the Council as information. This report will be sent to the reporting hospitals on May 1, 2013, for the 45-day review and comment period. The comments will be presented to the Council at the June Council meeting for discussion. The Council commented that the format of the report remains “beautiful, colorful, and easy to read and understand.”

Rosemary Blackmon, Executive Vice President of the Alabama Hospital Association presented the results of a survey of reporting hospitals to provide input on inclusion of new categories and/or locations of infection reporting for 2014. The majority of reporting hospitals favor a move to expand catheter-associated urinary tract infection and central line-associated bloodstream infection reporting to include all intensive care units so that the state rules fall in-line with national reporting rules. The Council requested that staff draft the amended rules for discussion during the June Council meeting.

A request to change future Council meetings to 10:00 a.m. to accommodate travel of the Council members was made. This request was acceptable to ADPH administration.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for June 19, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.

Date: _____

Thomas M. Miller, M.D., Acting Chairman
Healthcare Data Advisory Council

Date: _____

Nadine Crawford M.S.N., R.N.
State HAI Coordinator